



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(MBHB Case No. 01-662)

PATENT

In re Application of:)
Handfield, et al.)
Serial No.: 09/995,493) Group Art Unit: 1646
Filed: November 28, 2001) Examiner: Baskar, P.
For: Identification of *Actinobacillus*)
actinomycetemcomitans Antigens for use in the)
Diagnosis, Treatment and Monitoring of)
Periodontal Use)

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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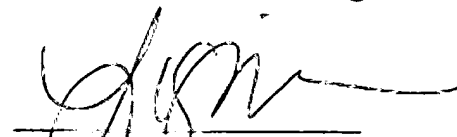
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Respectfully submitted,
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Date: December 17, 2004

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Pursuant to the duty of disclosure provided by 35 C.F.R. § 1.56 and §§ 1.97-98, the applicants wish to make the following references of record in the above-identified application. Copies of the references are enclosed. Copies are also listed in the PTO-1449 form enclosed herewith. Each reference was first cited in a communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three (3) months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement. Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$180. It is requested that the documents be given careful consideration and that they be cited of record in the prosecution history of the present application so that they will appear on the face of the patent issuing from the present application.

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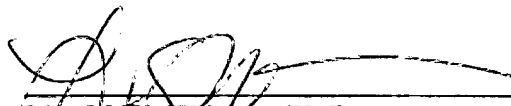
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